

Notice of Adoption under Article 16 of the European Communities (Environmental Assessment of Certain Plans and Programmes) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 435/2004), as amended

Local Authority Climate Action Plan 2024 – 2029 for the Kildare County Council functional area

Kildare County Council has prepared a Local Authority Climate Action Plan (LACAP) for the Kildare County Council functional area for the years 2024 – 2029 under Section 16 of the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Act 2021.

The LACAP was subject to Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) under SEA Directive 2001/42/EC as transposed into Irish law under the European Communities (Environmental Assessment of Certain Plans and Programmes) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 435/2004), as amended; and Appropriate Assessment (AA) the EU's Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC, as transposed into Irish law under Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 477/2011), as amended.

A copy of the LACAP and associated environmental reports are available for public inspection on the website of the authority at <https://kildarecoco.ie/AllServices/ClimateAction/KildareCountyCouncilClimateActionPlan2024-2029/>.

Physical copies of the plan are available in the Public Libraries of the county during their associated operational hours.

A SEA Statement is also available for inspection online which summarises:

- i. how environmental considerations have been integrated into the plan or programme, or modification to a plan or programme
- ii. how
 - a. the environmental report prepared pursuant to article 12,
 - b. submissions and observations made to the competent authority in response to a notice under article 13, and
 - c. any consultations under article 14,

have been taken into account during the preparation of the plan or programme, or modification to a plan or programme,

- iii. the reasons for choosing the plan or programme, or modification to a plan or programme, in the light of the other reasonable alternatives dealt with, and
- iv. the measures decided upon to monitor, in accordance with article 17, the significant environmental effects of implementation of the plan or programme, or modification to a plan or programme.